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Sir:

- I, Bruce W. Stalcup, do hereby declare and say:
- 1. I am one of the inventors of the invention disclosed and claimed in the present application.
- 2. I am currently involved in research and development at Northrop Grumman Inc. (previously Litton Systems, Inc.), and have numerous years of experience in, and a thorough understanding of image processing.
- 3. I am familiar with <u>Stalcup et al.</u> (U.S. 6,741,743) and the existing citation of this reference against the present invention.
- 4. I hereby submit that the subject matter disclosed but not claimed in <u>Stalcup et al.</u>, and relied upon by the Patent and Trademark Office in the prosecution of the instant application, was derived SOLELY from me and is thus not the invention by another.
- 6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made in information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these

statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

7. Further declarant sayeth not.

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